

REMARKS

Claims 10-15 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

CLAIM OBJECTION

Claim 10 stands objected to because "fluoroalkyl" should be --fluoroalkyl--. Claim 10 is amended to correct this informality. Accordingly, the objection to claim 10 is moot.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-2 and 4-8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schnur et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,079,600). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1-2 and 4-8 are cancelled. This rejection, therefore, is moot.

Claims 1-2, 4-8 and 10-15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Otsuki et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 7,189,598). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1-2 and 4-8 are cancelled. The rejection of these claims, therefore, is moot.

With respect to claims 10-15, Applicant note that Otsuki only qualifies as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). Applicants further note that Otsuki is commonly owned by Seiko Epson Corporation.

Statement of Common Ownership

The present application, U.S. Serial No. 10/807,913, and U.S. Pat. No. 7,189,598 were, at the time the present invention was made, commonly owned by Seiko Epson Corporation.

Because Otsuki is commonly owned by Seiko Epson Corporation and only qualifies as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), Applicant respectfully submits that Otsuki may not be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) against the present application. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

CONCLUSION

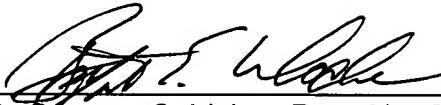
It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the

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